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About Ohio State

- Top-20 public university
 - 58,000 students
 - 15 Colleges
- Land grant institution
- 200 undergraduate majors and 250 master's, doctoral, and professional degrees





Other Initiatives for Interdisciplinary Collaborations

- **Discovery Themes**
 - **Administratively driven/funded**
 - **Goal: model interdisciplinarity and transinstitutionality that promotes and enhances broad university collaboration**
 - **8 key areas**
 - **<http://discovery.osu.edu/>**



Other Initiatives for Interdisciplinary Collaborations

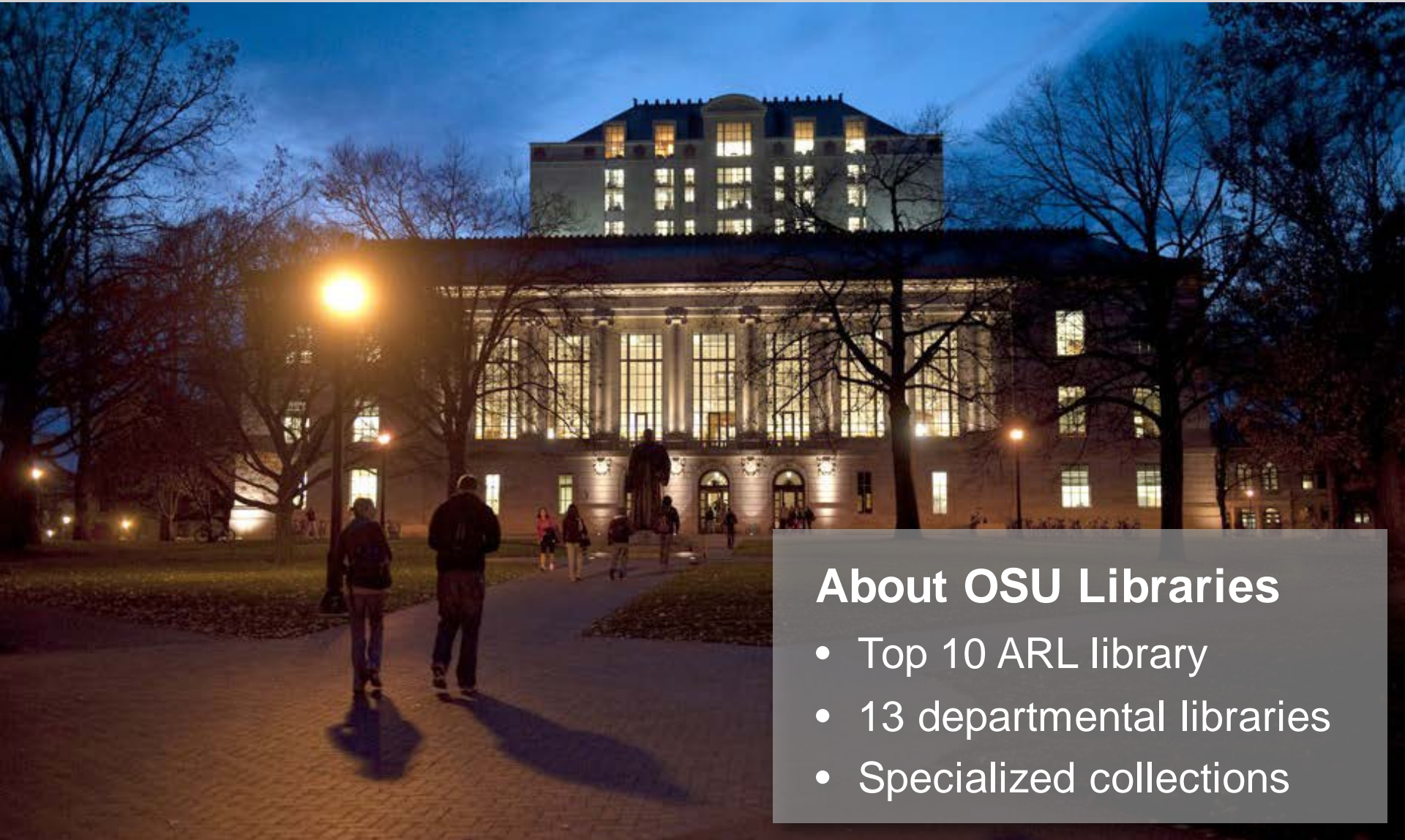


STEAM Factory

Grass-roots effort; 90+ faculty, post-docs, and staff

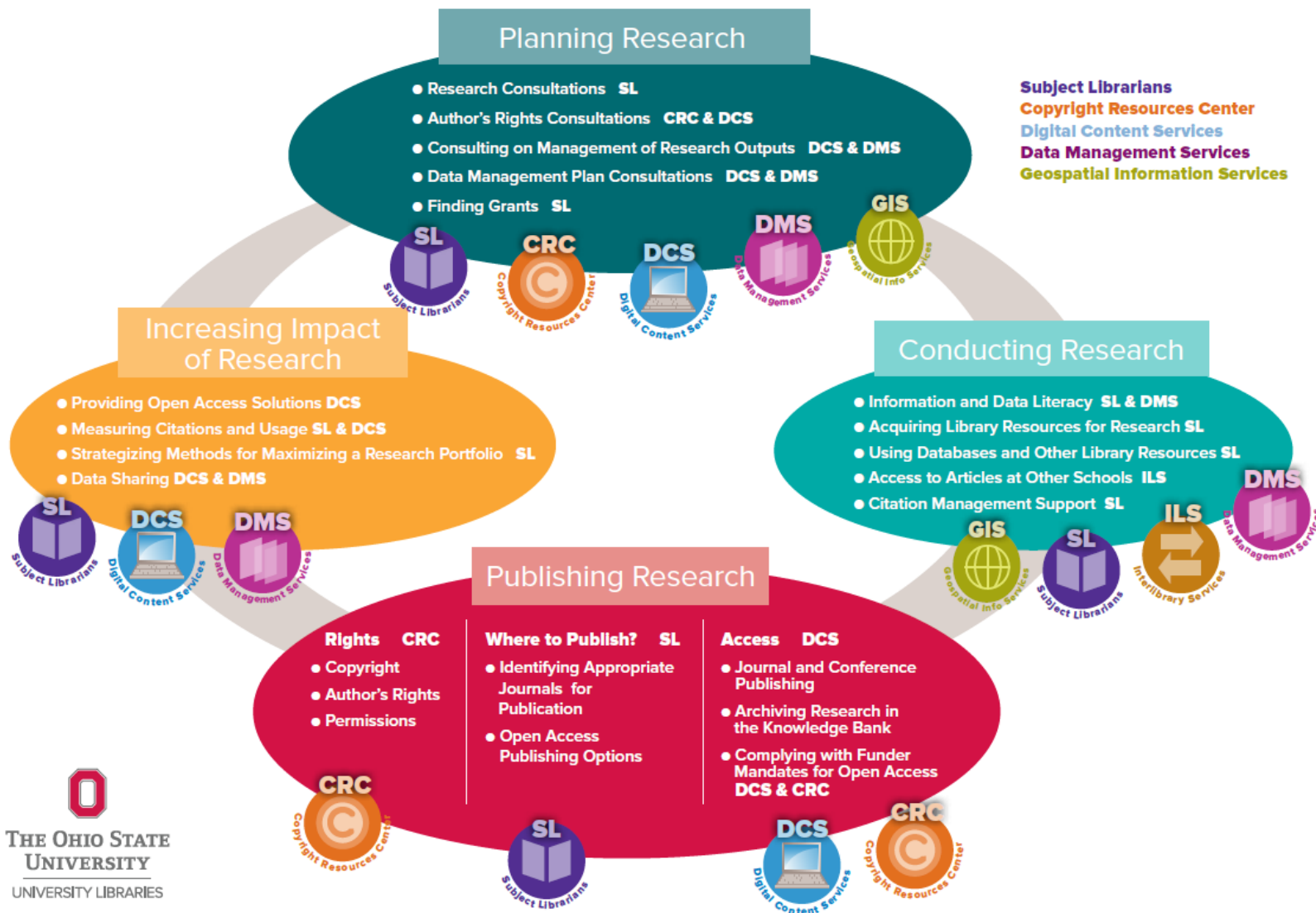
<http://steamfactory.osu.edu/>

Goal: To be a diverse and inclusive network that facilitates creative and **interdisciplinary collaboration**, innovation and **dissemination**



About OSU Libraries

- Top 10 ARL library
- 13 departmental libraries
- Specialized collections





Research Commons Vision Statement

- **To create an inspiring suite of services and resources that will:**
 - Enable and drive innovation;
 - Attract, motivate and enable research;
 - Allow for happy accidents to occur;
 - Provide an environment for dynamic, interdisciplinary research that moves Ohio State from excellence to eminence.



Research Commons Mission Statement

- The Research Commons at The Ohio State University Libraries leverages campus partnerships to provide support services at each stage of the research lifecycle. It enhances the Libraries' mission by providing a hub for collaborative, interdisciplinary research that is both expertise and technology enabled.



Developing spaces around services

- Hired staff (GIS specialist, Data Management Libn)- 2014
- Developed a website in 2014
- Deployed branded workshop series 2014-2015
- Sought campus partners
- Engaged stakeholders (Grad, Faculty, Post-Docs)
- Began marketing campaign

Some early marketing strategies

- Targeted workshop brochures



The Research Commons Workshop Series
Autumn 2014

Common Services Supporting Uncommon Scholarship

Ohio State is home to a community of innovative, dedicated, and exceptional researchers. The high level of scholarship and impact among Ohio State researchers is truly uncommon.

This uncommon scholarship is supported by a common suite of services available to all members of the Ohio State research community.

The Research Commons Workshop Series connects Ohio State researchers to many different support services available across the university.

World class research is hard work. Let us help make it easier for you.

Register to attend online at:
library.osu.edu/researchcommons

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The Research Commons Workshop Series
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Building Research Skills Now and for the Future

Ohio State is home to a community of innovative and hard-working graduate students who contribute to the university's reputation as a world class research institution in original and exciting ways.

Graduate researchers are supported by services that help to build important research skills during their time at Ohio State and pave the way for success along any academic or professional career path.

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Keys to Research Success: Keeping Your Data Organized

Tired of searching for lost files? Worried the spreadsheet you're editing isn't the most recent version of your data? Looking for a better way to keep track of your methods and results? Join the Undergraduate Research Office and the Libraries' Data Management Services to learn more about creating a file naming system, tracking versions, and maintaining meaningful metadata for your research projects.

Who: OSU undergraduates and graduates
When: Friday, October 17, 11 a.m. - noon
Where: Thompson Library, Room 150A/B

Fair Use and You: Copyright Considerations for Writing Theses and Dissertations


Want to know more about how copyright law and fair use affect what you can and can't use in your work? Have you hit a wall with your writing and need some support to get back on track? Join the Copyright Resources Center and the Writing Center for an overview of author's rights, copyright, and the services offered to help keep you productive as a writer.

Who: OSU undergraduates and graduates
When: Tuesday, October 21, 3 - 4:30 p.m.
Where: Thompson Library, Room 165

Research Writing 101: Best Practices for Citation Management

Looking for tips on creating an annotated bibliography and keeping your references organized? Want to learn more about the citation management tools available to you at Ohio State? Join the Writing Center and the Libraries' Research Services for a discussion about the resources that can keep you efficient and organized as you prepare to publish your research.

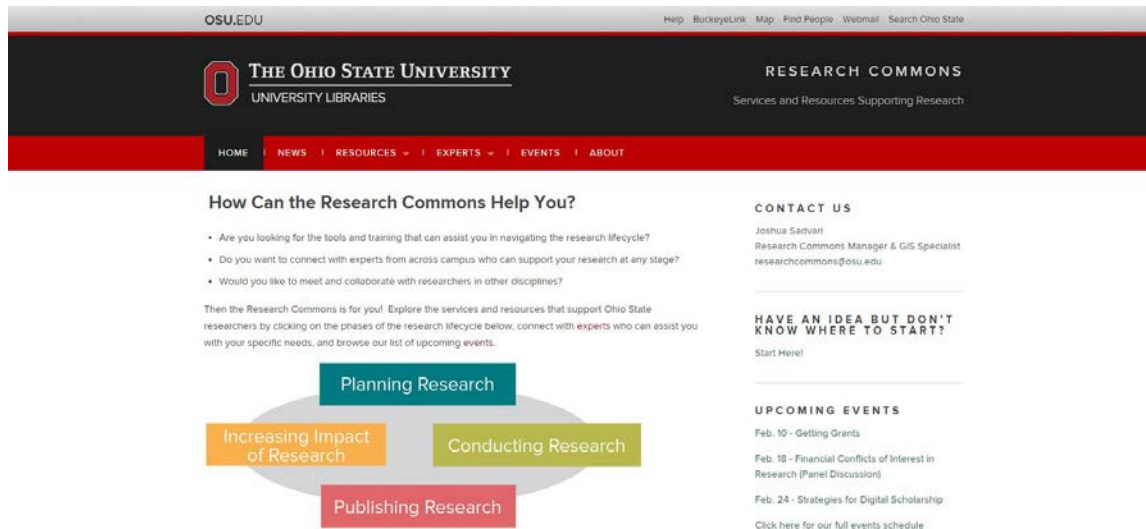
Who: OSU undergraduates and graduates
When: Thursday, November 20, 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Where: Thompson Library, Room 150A/B

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Some early marketing strategies

- Launch and promotion of the website
- Event ads in campus email newsletters





Some early marketing strategies

- YouTube videos featuring partners and services

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Core services

- Referrals
- Education/Training
- Consultations
- Showcasing Research

Key Topic Areas

- Data Management
- Geospatial Data
- Digital Humanities

Guiding Philosophy

- Don't duplicate services available elsewhere on campus
- Save researchers' time



Developing spaces around services

University Libraries

Copyright Resources Center
Data Management Services
Geospatial Data Services
Knowledge Bank
Libraries Publishing Program
Research Services

Office of Research

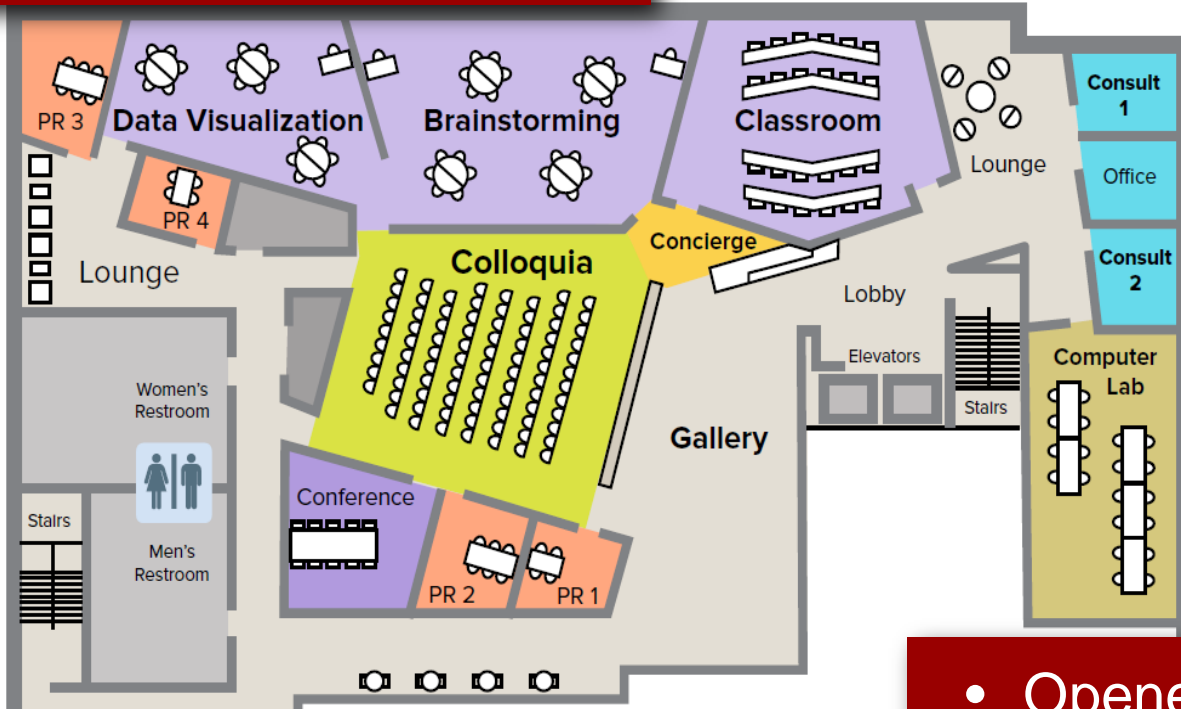
Funding Opportunities
Industry Liaison Office
Office of Research Compliance
Office of Responsible Research Practices
Office of Sponsored Programs

Partners across Campus

Office of the Chief Information Officer
Office of Distance Education and eLearning
Ohio Supercomputer Center
Technology Commercialization Office
Translational Data Analytics @ Ohio State
Undergraduate Research Office
Writing Center



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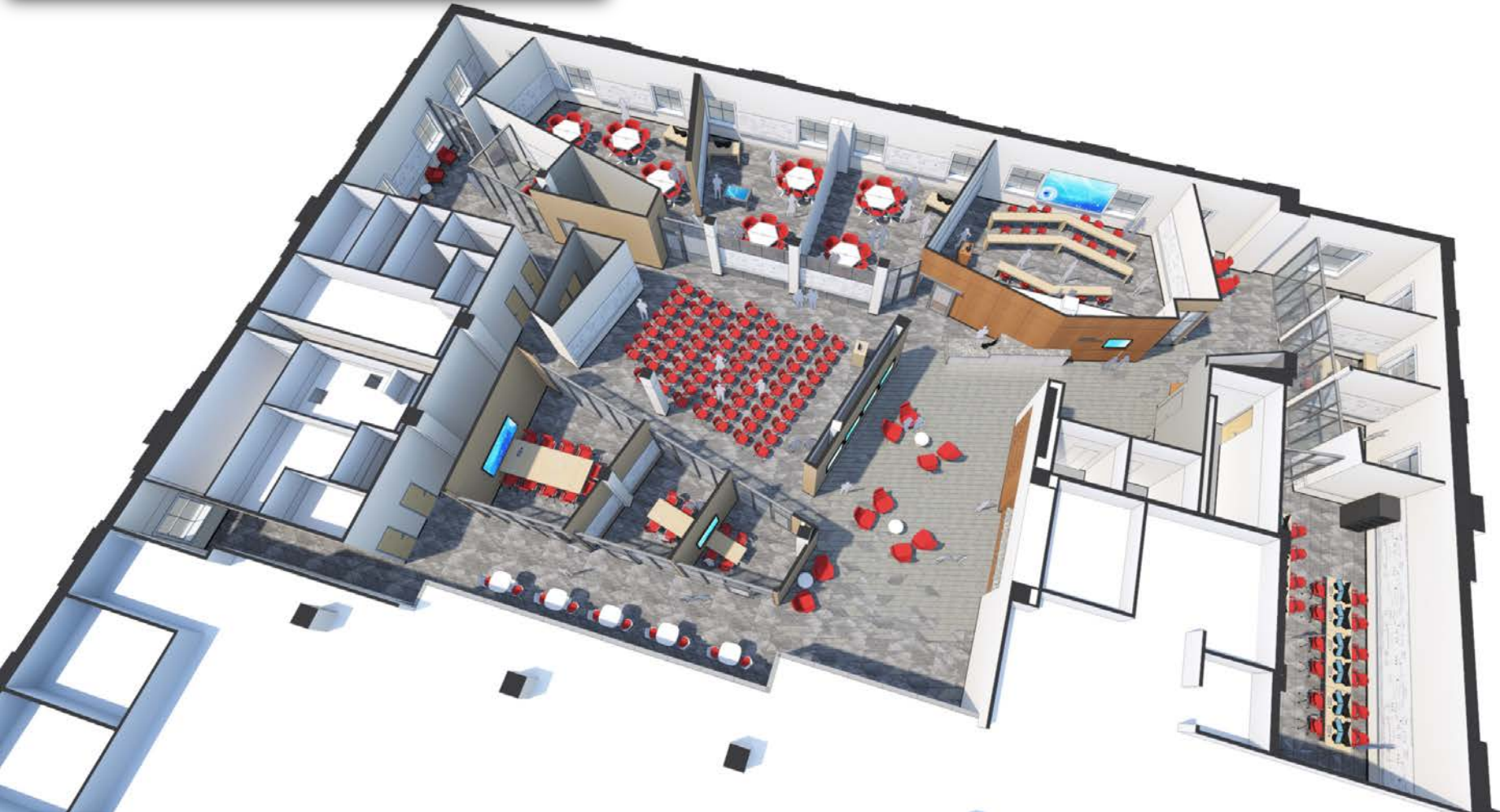


- Opened January 2016
- Central location on campus
- Focused on “advanced researchers”



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The Research Commons: Referrals





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The Research Commons: Education/Training



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The Research Commons: Consultations





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The Research Commons: Showcasing Research (STEAM Exchange)



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What Can You Do at the Research Commons?

Participate in a Workshop to build skills in areas spanning all phases of the research lifecycle – planning, conducting, publishing, and increasing impact

Schedule a Consultation with one of our many research support experts for one-on-one assistance with your research needs

Reserve a Room for small-group and large-group collaborative projects, videoconferencing, data visualization, and much more

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Visit Our Computer Lab to explore an advanced suite of software available for carrying out your research projects

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What is the Research Commons?

- A place where researchers can connect with each other and with services that support and enable their work
- A campus hub for collaborative and interdisciplinary research across all fields, with a special focus on Data Management, Digital Humanities, and Geographic Information Systems (GIS)



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Reaching Users

- **Our strategies**
 - Outreach to Graduate Students- 80% response rate in 2015
 - Subject Librarians
 - Post-Doc Association
 - Council of Graduate Students
- Targeted emails based on workshop topic
- Email mailing list
- Cookies in the Commons

Assessment efforts

- **Workshop numbers**

- FA14: 180 attendees (9 workshops, 2 panels, one lecture); 60+ depts.
- SP15: 252 attendees (9 workshops, 2 panels); 60 new departments.
- FA 15: 260 attendees (8 workshops, 1 discussion forum, 1 panel discussion); GIS day: 70 attendees

- **User Feedback**

- **Partner Feedback**





Future Work

- **Formalize a plan for assessment**
- **Outreach plan for fall semester**
- **Hire additional staff**
- **Develop policies for space use**
- **More outreach to interdisciplinary centers**
- **Consistently build user base**